

CALENDAR 2004-2005

Calendar Committee -- The committee consisted of a representative group from all school levels and included administrators, teachers, and central office staff.

The Process -- The committee met monthly beginning in January to identify key issues and to develop calendar options. Two options were developed and presented to the Superintendent's Advisory Committee in early March. Members of that committee took the proposals back to their building for consideration and input from staffs and PTO's.

Key Issues and Considerations:

- Format – Improve layout and ease of readability for our publics
- Labor Day is late -- September 6
- Thanksgiving -- Wednesday off for students? (as we have for the past two calendars)
- Veteran's Day – holiday?
- Seven or ten school days at winter break
- Ten early release days – Where to place elementary early releases
- Graduation day
- Emergency make-up schedule
- Staff early release schedule

Major Differences Between Option #1 and Options #2

	Option #1	Option #2
Veteran's Day	Holiday	No Holiday
November 24	Holiday	No Holiday
Winter Break	Seven (7) School Days	Ten (10) School Days
Last School Day	Thursday, June 16	Friday, June 17
Graduation	Thursday, June 16	Thursday, June 16

The Tally – Twenty-five schools including Head Start

Option #1 – Three (3) schools
Option #2 – Twenty (20) schools

****There were two ties.**



STAFFORD COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS 2004-2005 CALENDAR

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JULY 2004						
S	M	T	W	T	F	S
				1	2	3
4	5	6	7	8	9	10
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
25	26	27	28	29	30	31
4 Fourth of July						

AUGUST 2004						
S	M	T	W	T	F	S
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
29	30	31				
26-27 New Teacher In-Service						
30 First Day for Teachers						
31 Elementary Teacher In-Service Day						

SEPTEMBER 2004						
S	M	T	W	T	F	S
			1	2	3	4
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
26	27	28	29	30		
1 MS/HS Teacher In-Service Day 6 Labor Day 7 First Day of School for Students						

OCTOBER 2004						
S	M	T	W	T	F	S
					1	2
3	4	5	6	7	8	9
10	11	12	13	14	15	16
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
24	25	26	27	28	29	30
31	11 Columbus Day 11 County Wide Teacher In-Service					
19 End 1 st Six Weeks 25 ER Elementary						

NOVEMBER 2004						
S	M	T	W	T	F	S
	1	2	3	4	5	6
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
28	29	30	2 Election Day 10 End 1 st Nine Weeks			
11 Veteran's Day 24 Early Release All Grades 25-26 Thanksgiving Break						

DECEMBER 2004						
S	M	T	W	T	F	S
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5	6	7	8	9	10	11
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
26	27	28	29	30	31	
3 End 2 nd Six Weeks 20-31 Winter Break						

JANUARY 2005						
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9	10	11	12	13	14	15
16	17	18	19	20	21	22
23	24	25	26	27	28	29
30	31	3 School Resumes 17 MLK Day 27-28 ER MS/HS Only 27,28,31 Exams 31 ER All Grades 31 End First Semester				

FEBRUARY 2005						
S	M	T	W	T	F	S
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13	14	15	16	17	18	19
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
27	28	1 Teacher Workday 2 Second Semester Begins 18 Early Release All Grades 21 Presidents Day				

MARCH 2005						
S	M	T	W	T	F	S
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13	14	15	16	17	18	19
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
27	28	29	30	31		
18 Early Release Elementary Only						
16 End 4 th Six Weeks						
25 ER All Grades 28–31 Spring Break						

APRIL 2005						
S	M	T	W	T	F	S
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17	18	19	20	21	22	23
24	25	26	27	28	29	30
1 Last Day Spring Break 4 School Resumes 13 End 3 rd Nine Weeks 18 Site Based Teacher In-Service						

MAY 2005						
S	M	T	W	T	F	S
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15	16	17	18	19	20	21
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
29	30	31				
5 End 5 th Six Weeks						
27 Early Release All Grades						
30 Memorial Day						

JUNE 2005						
S	M	T	W	T	F	S
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12	13	14	15	16	17	18
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
26	27	28	29	30		
15-17 Early Release All Grades						
16 High School Graduation Day						
17 Last Day of School						

	Regular School Day
	Early Release (ER)
Specific grade levels and times vary	

	Student / Teacher Holiday
	Teacher Workday/In-Service
	New Teacher In-Service

Early Release Days	
- November 24, February 18, March 25, May 27 are 2 hours early release for all students and staff	
- All others are a 2 1/2 hour early release – dates vary by grade level	

High School Graduation June 16, 2005

The Stafford County School Board reserves the right to amend this calendar

Important Dates: 2004-2005 Year

August 2004

- 26-27 New Teacher In-Service
- 30 First Day for Teachers
- 31 Elementary Teacher In-Service

September 2004

- 1 Middle/HighSchool Teacher In-Service
- 6 Labor Day - No school
- 7 First Day of School

October 2004

- 11 Columbus Day – No school
- County-wide Teacher In-Service
- 19 End 1st Six Weeks
- 25 **1:00 early release for elementary students only**

November 2004

- 2 Election Day – No school
- Teacher Workday
- 10 End 1st Nine Weeks
- 24 2 hour early release – All students and staff
- 25-26 Thanksgiving Break – No school

December 2004

- 3 End 2nd Six Weeks
- 20-31 Winter Break – No school

January 2005

- 3 School Resumes
- 17 Martin Luther King, Jr. – No school
- 27-28 Exams – MS/HS 2 ½ hour early release
- 31 Exams – 2 ½ hour early release for all students
- End of 1st semester

February 2005

- 1 No school – Teacher Workday
- 2 2nd Semester Begins
- 18 2 hour early release – All students and staff
- 21 Presidents Day – No school

March 2005

- 16 End of 3rd Nine Weeks
- 18 **1:00 early release for elementary students only**
- 25 2 hour early release – All students and staff
- 28-31 Spring Break – No school

April 2005

- 1 Spring Break
- 4 School resumes
- 13 End of 3rd Nine Weeks
- 18 No school – Teacher Site Based In-Service

May 2005

- 5 End of 5th Six Weeks
- 27 2 hour early release – All students and staff
- 30 Memorial Day – No school

June 2005

- 15-17 2 ½ hour early release – All students
- 16 High School Graduation Day
- 17 Last Day of School
- 20-21 Teacher Workday

This calendar applies to students and most 10-month employees

Grading Periods

Elementary / Middle Schools

Interim Report Out	Six Weeks End	Report Cards Out
September 27	October 19	October 26
November 10	December 3	December 10
January 7	January 31	February 8
February 23	March 16	March 23
April 13	May 5	May 12
May 26	June 17	June 24

High School

Interim Report Out	Nine Weeks End	Report Cards Out
October 7	November 10	November 18
December 15	January 31	February 8
March 7	April 13	April 21
May 17	June 17	June 24

Parent Conferences

Stafford County is committed to conferencing with parents at least twice a year in order to maintain a successful partnership in our children's education. Evening conference opportunities will be provided.



Missed Days

Procedures for making up days missed due to inclement weather:

Days 1-5 missed due to inclement weather will be made up by reducing the school year from 180 to 175. Teachers and other employees working less than eleven months are expected to accumulate equivalent work hours so as to make-up these days. Such work hours are to take place outside of the prescribed workday and shall be approved, in advance, by an immediate supervisor.

Days 6-10 will be made up as follows:

Day 6 – Three early dismissals:

February 18, March 25, May 27

Day 7 – February 21

Day 8 – April 18

Day 9 – June 20 - added

Day 10 – June 21 - added

Early Release Days

October 25 – Elementary Only – 2 ½ hour early release

November 24 – All students and staff - 2 hour early release

January 27 & 28 – MS/HS Only – 2 ½ hour early release

January 31 – All students - 2 ½ hour early release

February 18 – All students and staff - 2 hour early release

March 18 – Elementary Only – 2 ½ hour early release

March 25 – All students and staff - 2 hour early release

May 27 - All students and staff –2 hour early release

June 15-17 – All students - 2 ½ hour early release